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## APPENDIX

### LIGIA GRISCHA BYLAWS

1. The Ligia Grischa fixes the period of its existence for 15 years.

2. In this society can only be accepted persons from 12 to 60 years, who show in their life a good behavior.

3. Every member must pay \$5.00 on entering the "Ligia Grischa" and signing the statutes. He must also pay 1 Taler every month and on the 5th of June 1875 another 10 Talers.

4. Every member who enters after the foundation of the "Ligia Grischa" is obliged to pay the same capital plus 5% more than the members who joined at the foundation of the "Ligia Grischa." This has the advantage to increase the percentage and "the Ligia has the rights every year."

5. If one other co-member should leave the Ligia Grischa before the period of 5 years he only gets the capital which he has paid monthly and also this one without any interests.

6. Should one or other co-member die; his relatives have the right to maintain his membership with its rights, if they engage themselves to comply with the statutes that have been made. But if the heirs prefer to put out his name (withdraw his membership), they have to give notice within 9 months after his death, in which case they get all the money due to them according to the financial balance of that year, except the 15 dollars paid at the beginning. The Ligia Grischa always reserves a period of three months to pay such rights.

7. Should a member not fulfill the obligations that the statutes prescribe, the Ligia Grischa gives a term of 6 months and afterwards he will be expelled and all his rights are taken away.

8. Disagreements between members of the Ligia Grischa have to be settled by the society itself and nobody shall have the right to look for justice elsewhere. In difficult cases the man can choose three members out of the Ligia Grischa and also the Ligia will choose three men and they will have the full competence to settle the quarrel.

9. The Ligia Grischa holds the meeting every first Monday of the month at 8:00 in the evening. Absentees without sufficient reasons pay 25 cents and if this should happen often 35 cents every time. As sufficient reasons are regarded absence from town, illness, being alone in business and other cases, which the society regards as sufficient and justifiable.

10. The officials and their obligations.

- 1.) President and Vice-President
- 2.) Actuary (registrar) and Vice-Actuary
- 3.) Cashier
- 4.) A committee of three members

11. Each official has to be elected with "ticket" (written vote) and must have the majority of 2/3 in order to be validly elected. Each official keeps his function for one year. (He is elected) on the first Monday of May and takes his function on the first of June.

12. The officials are obliged to read the account (rendering of the account) in detail in front of the Ligia Grischa, so that everybody knows how things are, and this has to be done every six months of each year at the first meeting of May and November.

13. The president is the first man of the Ligia Grischa and he has the right and the obligation to keep order in all the meetings, as well as the general obligations of a president. All the laws, which are made, get their validity for the future only when the president, as well as all the documents, notes, papers of the Ligia Grischa sign them. The actuary must also sign these.

14. The president has the right to convoke an extra meeting when he finds this to be in the interest of the Ligia Grischa. If five members ask the president in a written petition for an extra meeting, the president is obligated to hold a meeting.

15. The president has to be responsible of everything that the Ligia Grischa confides to him, for instance the seal etc.

16. When in a vote two times the number is the same on both sides, the president has the right to give the decision.

17. The Vice-President has the same authority as the president when the president is absent.

18. The actuary is in charge of all the books, the protocol as well as all accounts and has to deal with all the necessary correspondence of the Ligia Grischa.

19. At every meeting the actuary has to read to the assembly the names of the members and to register the absentees. He has also to read the protocol or the decisions taken at the last meeting, he has to read to the assembly all reports and dealings between the meetings, for instance notes, insurances, etc. for his work the actuary gets a thaler per month.

20. The cashier has to receive all the money of the Ligia Grischa. He has also to give guarantee (insurance) of two members of the Ligia Grischa both of which have the value of 500 dollars. The cashier has to give the actuary a receipt of all the money he gets from the Ligia Grischa.

21. The cashier has not the right to keep in his house (or cash desk) more than 60 dollars, but he has to put it (in a bank) with interest with the

best guarantee he can find. With the advice of the Committee and the officials he has the right to loan money as far as they find it suitable for the Ligia Grischa, without being obliged to bring the matter before the assembly.

22. The Committee is obliged to control the books and all accounts from time to time whenever they find it necessary. Should a member of the Committee not be able to assist one or the other meeting, the two other members present have the obligations and the right of absence.

23. General Rules

In an assembly every member that will propose a matter, has to ask the president for the permission to speak and he has to explain his proposal as short as possible and to keep to the subject.

24. Should a member after the meeting has begun, propose something which does not belong to the subject and should then arise trouble, for instance drunkenness etc., the president is strictly obliged to maintain the order and, if necessary, to tell them to leave the meeting. If they insist and have some reasons to go on with their proposal, they must do it in a written petition for the next meeting.

25. All the members of the Ligia Grischa have to observe these laws and statutes which have been set up here, and to become a full member of the Ligia Grischa they have to sign with their proper hand.

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